

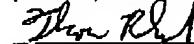
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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER CFR §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 17, 2006 setting a three-month period to respond. The response is being timely filed within two months of the mailing date of the Notice. It is believed this response places the claims in position for allowance, or in better form for consideration on appeal. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance are requested.

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